

# Needham Youth Services

## Youth Commission Meeting Notes

1/11/2017

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 12/14/2016; January Department Report; Winter Program Brochure; Youth Services' Wordle on Display at Memorial Park; "A Conversation..." Evaluation Compilation; VIP Training Manual; Forde Award Invitation Flyer; RAY of Hope Press Release; Adoptive Parents Group Flyer.

- **Accepted Minutes of 12/14/2016**

- **Community/School Focus:**

Discussed Needham High School game held at the Boston Garden.

- **Youth Services' 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Project**

Quotes have begun to appear weekly in the Hometown Weekly, and on a weekly basis quotes will be posted on our Facebook page as well as sent out to our Listserv.

- **Program Updates**

- Next "A Conversation..." program on 1/24
- Update on FY 2018 budget.
- "Challenge Day" Committee update.
- The Patrick Forde Award Ceremony is scheduled for Monday, January 23, 2017.
- We will be presenting to the Hillside PTC on 1/25.
- Update on Pollard program on Sexual Harassment.
- Update on Make A Statement Day.
- Update on the Youth Resource Network.
- Update on Domestic Violence Action Committee.
- Update on VIP Program.
- Update on Peer Tutor Program.
- Update on Safe Surf.
- Update on Adoptive Parent Program.
- Update on Needham Unplugged

- **Program Spotlight: Video's we use in our work with youth & parents**

Showed a variety of video's we use in our work

- **Health and Human Services Department Follow Up Discussion**

Update on the timetable for changes in the Health and Human Services Department. Karen read aloud a draft of a letter to the Town Manager regarding concerns about the classification of the Youth Services Director position (nothing was decided and no timetable was identified).

- **Old/New Business**

- Retreat in March will be discussed at the next meeting.

- **Adjourn ---** next meeting scheduled for February 8<sup>th</sup>

Members Present:	Karen Folb, Julie Stevens, David Bookston, Jack Cruickshank, Kevin Keane, Susan Patkin, Jilliam Smith, Vin Springer
Staff Present:	Katy Colthart, Liz Loveless
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